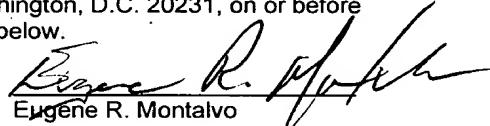




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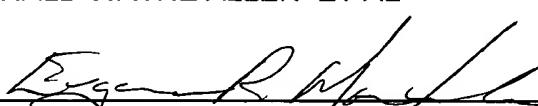
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Responsive to the Office Action [Notice of Allowance] mailed October 2, 2001;
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